

BIG GRAPERS ARE REVEALED

The Investigations of Pittsburg Grand Jury Lead to the Men Higher up—One Confesses.

HOFFSTOT IS INDICTED FOR BRIBING COUNCILMAN

He is President of Steel Car Company and One of the Most Prominent Business Men There.

Pittsburg, April 7.—The climax promised in the Pittsburg graft exposures came, as promised, late yesterday with the presentation by the grand jury of a lengthy report, in which is recommended the indictment of Frank N. Hoffstot, president of the Pressed Steel Car company, and one of the most prominent business men in the country.

Grand Jury report.

The following in abbreviated form are some of the most startling findings in the grand jury's presentation: "1. That Frank N. Hoffstot, president of the Pressed Steel Car company, and president of the German National Bank of Allegheny, and prominently identified with other banks, paid to Charles Stewart, a former select councilman, the sum of \$2,500.

"2. That the money was a bribe used in influencing the votes of councilmen to pass an ordinance naming three banks in which Hoffstot was interested as official depositories of the city's millions.

"3. That the arrangement for the payment of the money to Stewart was made in the spring of 1908, and that the late James W. Friend, at that time an official of the Pressed Steel Car company, was an associate in the transaction.

"4. That the original plan which Friend had was to obtain the service of William A. Blakeley, who was then a practicing attorney here, but who is now the district attorney in charge of the graft prosecutions, as a stakeholder of the bribe money until the ordinance had passed.

"5. That Attorney Blakeley declined to act in the capacity named and warned all parties of the criminality of the proposition and of the liability to prosecution if it went further.

"6. That subsequent to Mr. Blakeley's refusal, Messrs. Friend and Hoffstot completed an arrangement with Stewart, whereby Hoffstot would pay or cause to be paid to Stewart the sum named \$2,500.

"7. That the transaction was arranged to be made in New York city and took place there in June, 1908, in order, if possible, to avoid criminal liability in Allegheny county.

"8. That Hoffstot did also solicit and secure from one James N. Young, cashier of the Second National Bank of Pittsburg, the sum of \$21,000 to be paid Stewart to insure the selection of the Second National bank as one of the favored city depositories.

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VISIT IN BEHALF OF THOS. SETTLE

Morehead and Cowles Ask President to Appoint Him Member of the Commerce Court.

THEY ALSO SPEAK A WORD FOR COL. WALTER R. HENRY

North Carolina Delegation Know of No Fight to Be Made on Chief Justice Clark.

Gazette-News Bureau, 46 Post Building, Washington, April 7.

Hon. Thomas Settle, whose claims for recognition by the administration have been pressed from the day that Mr. Taft entered the White House, is now being urged for appointment as a member of the Commerce court, which is not yet in existence, but which is to be created if the administration railway bill passes congress.

As to a Fight on Justice Clark. The story recently appeared in a state paper indicating that a fight is to be made on Chief Justice Clark for renomination is news to the members of the North Carolina delegation.

WIROGRAPHS

Late Afternoon News Stories in Condensed Form of World's Big and Little Events.

Another Brooklyn Bank Closes. New York, April 7.—The Borough bank of Brooklyn closed its doors today and the superintendent of banks took possession of the institution.

Judge Parker in Russia. St. Petersburg, April 7.—Former Justice Alton B. Parker of New York left today for Moscow and Crimen.

Prairie Sails for Colon. Washington, April 7.—The U. S. S. Prairie has sailed from Philadelphia for Colon, to bring home 550 marines.

Lots of Money Lost in Malls. Washington, April 7.—During the month of March \$5000 went astray in the malls. A million pieces of mail matter went to the dead letter office, because they did not bear return directions.

What Are California Port and Sherry? Washington, April 7.—Having determined the problem "what is whiskey?" Dr. H. W. Wiley and his pure food experts will determine what are California port and California sherry. The proper labeling for these products will soon be decided.

Legislature Adjourns. Trenton, N. J., April 7.—This year's session of the New Jersey legislature came to an end at 5 o'clock this morning after one of the most strenuous all night sessions in years.

Peruvians Very Bitter Against Ecuador. Lima, Peru, April 7.—A detachment of Peruvian troops, was dispatched today to the department of Piura, which adjoins the Ecuadorian frontier. The people desire war. Fifteen thousand volunteers here were recruited. Popular feeling against Ecuador continues bitter.

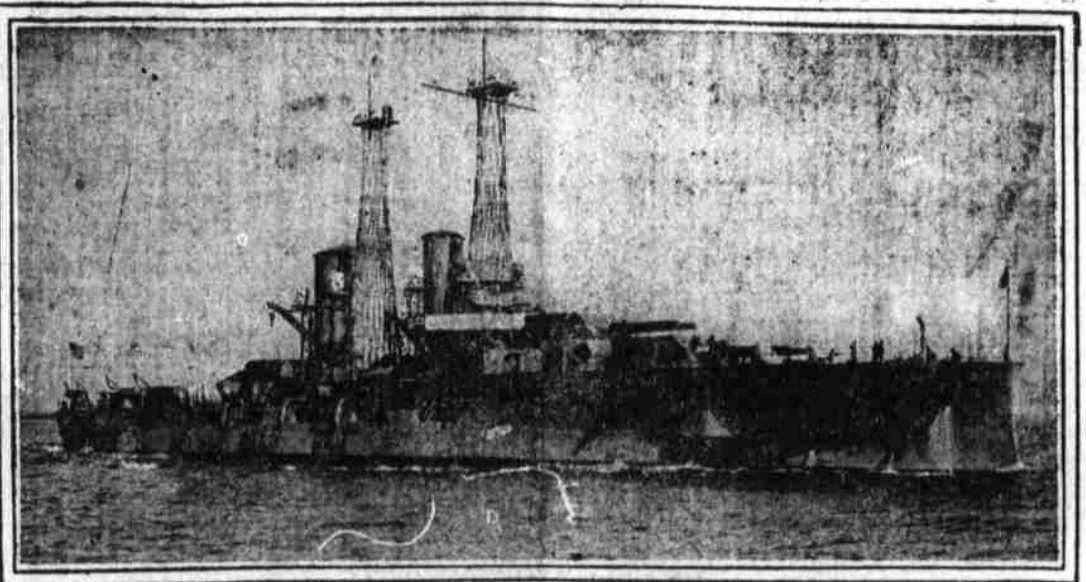
Bishop Cameron Dead. Antigonish, N. S., April 7.—Right Rev. John Cameron, bishop of Antigonish, the oldest Catholic bishop of America, is dead, aged 83.

Senate Adjourns on Monday. Washington, April 7.—The senate today adjourned until Monday. This further postpones action on the administration railway bill.

Nelson is Knocked Out—by the Court. Philadelphia, April 7.—Batting Nelson, the former lightweight champion, lost another fight today, when he was knocked out in three minutes.

Mr. Reed Appointed. Raleigh, April 7.—The governor appoints M. L. Reed trustee of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, succeeding Locke Crain, resigned.

Most Powerful of Sea Monsters, Delaware, Is Now in Commission



THE U.S.S. DELAWARE, FIRST AMERICAN DREADNOUGHT.

BROWNSVILLE SHOT UP BY THE NEGRO TROOPS

Such is the Finding of Military Court Which Has Been Investigating for a Year.

Washington, April 7.—The military court of inquiry which during the last year has been investigating the shooting up of Brownsville, Tex., finds that the evidence clearly sustains the charge that the shooting was done by soldiers of the twenty-fifth infantry, colored.

As to the charges made by the mayor and citizens of Brownsville, Tex., the court is of the opinion: First: That the soldiers of the twenty-fifth infantry, stationed at Fort Brown, Tex., did on the night of August 13-14, 1906, shoot into houses of the town of Brownsville, Tex., occupied by men, women and children, killing Frank Natus, a citizen of that town, and seriously wounding the lieutenant of police, M. Y. Dominguez, causing him the loss of an arm, and killing a horse under him.

Second: As to the disciplinary aspect of their crime, including the performance of duty by officers and enlisted men of the twenty-fifth infantry, garrisoned in Fort Brown, Texas, on the night of August 13-14, 1906, as measured by the standard in the army, the court is of the opinion that if the officers, non-commissioned, and privates, had performed their respective duties on the evening of August 13-14, 1906, immediately prior to the shooting affray, with appreciation of the obligations and responsibilities devolving upon them by the serious situation then confronting them, the shooting affray could not have occurred.

Also if immediately after the shooting when the men had been charged with the crime, a careful inspection of every man in the garrison, including his arms, equipment and ammunition had been made, as was attempted at daylight, several hours afterward, some of the guilty men would have been discovered.

Third: As to the eligibility to reinstatement, a majority of the court finds favorably as to some of the men. Brigadier General Theodore Schwan does not concur in the second conclusion. Lieutenant General Samuel P. M. Young and Major General Joseph P. Fanger do not concur in the third conclusion.

According to the terms of the act creating the board of inquiry, its findings are final and cannot be revised by anyone.

FOSS GREETED NOISILY BY HOUSE DEMOCRATS

Escorted to Speaker's Desk by His Brother—The Scene an Unprecedented One in House.

Washington, April 7.—The democrats of the house indulged in a noisy demonstration today when Representative Foss of Illinois (republican) escorted his brother, Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts (democrat) to the speaker's desk to take the oath of office. The new Massachusetts member succeeds the late Mr. Lovering (republican). The republicans remained quietly in their seats as the democrats arose en masse, applauding and cheering.

On the front row of the speaker's gallery a sweet faced old lady joined in the applause. She is the mother of the two brothers, who were the center of attraction. Never before have brothers of opposite political faith been members of the house at the same time.

Disastrous Dynamite Explosion. Toledo, April 7.—A lighter loaded with dynamite in Kobl's bar-ber caught fire today, causing an explosion, killing three persons, wrecking many houses and causing a loss of \$25,000.



CAPTAIN C. A. GOVE

Gazette-News Bureau, 46 Post Building, Washington, April 7.

The United States navy was very materially increased in fighting strength when the new battleship Delaware, the most powerful of American sea monsters, was placed in commission at the Norfolk navy yard this week.

More powerful than any other vessel in the navy, of 5000 tons more displacement than the 16,000 ton "all big gun" Michigan, the Delaware with her complement of 917 picked men will at once assume naval supremacy over all other ships in the nearest approach to the 12 1/2-inch, 50-caliber rifle ship of the Dreadnought type, carrying, as she does, ten of these most modern guns.

Her personnel has been chosen with the greatest care. Captain Charles A. Gove, formerly commandant of midshipsmen at Annapolis, and considered an all around efficient and capable officer, will be in command.

WHISKEY CONCERN PAYS SOUTH CAROLINA \$14,000

Settlement of "Over Judgment" Against Lanahan & Son of Richmond Terminates Litigation.

Columbia, April 7.—The whiskey firm of William Lanahan & Son of Baltimore has paid Attorney General Lyon \$14,000 in settlement of "over-judgment" which were found by the dispensary commission last fall.

By the payment of \$14,000, a claim of \$4000 against the commission by the firm and an over judgment of \$23,000, found by the commission are wiped out and appeal to the Supreme court is abandoned. Coincidentally with the payment of the \$14,000 an injunction served against the firm by the commission to prevent collection of sums owed by several county dispensaries of the state was dissolved.

WILL RENEW THE FIGHT TO PREVENT EXTRADITION. New York, April 7.—Counsel for "Eddie" Fay, "Little Dick" Harris, under arrest for robbing the Richmond, Va., postoffice of \$8000 in stamps and money will renew the fight to prevent their extradition to Richmond.

TEN MEN ARE BURNED UNDER CAR BARN WRECKAGE. Saybrook, Conn., April 7.—At least ten men were buried under the wreckage when the roof of a new car barn of the Shore line trolley company fell today. Six men have been taken out, one of whom, Jerry Kahan, Springfield, had his back and a leg broken.

May Put a Limit on the Cold Storage Houses

Washington, April 7.—That a limit should be put on the use of cold storage for the purpose of unloading, or advancing, prices artificially, is the judgment of the senate committee charged with the investigation of the cost of living. Chairman Lodge introduced in the senate a bill meeting this recommendation.

THE ROOSEVELTS ON BRIDAL TOUR

Traverse Again the Alpine Roads Over Which They Drove as Bride and Groom.

BOTH THE PAPAL SECRETARY AND WHIPPLE RAREEPUDIATED

Methodists and Catholics Agree There Has Been Too Much Talk—Praise for Theodore.

Spezia, Italy, April 7.—Theodore Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt began today the carriage drives along the sunny slopes of the Ligurian Alps road which they followed as bride and groom 24 years ago. The day is beautiful.

They expect to reach Genoa Saturday. A carriage was awaiting them from Rome. Both Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt appeared in good health.

On April 12 the Roosevelts leave Porto Maurizio for Vienna, stopping at Venice for a day.

The Pope Expresses Regret. Rome, April 7.—Some prominent ecclesiastics who were received by the pope today managed to introduce the subject of the Roosevelt incident. To these the pontiff expressed the deepest regret that he had been prevented from meeting and speaking with the former president, but he gave utterance to no opinion regarding the negotiations or the deadlock that followed.

The incident continues a lively topic of popular discussion, and is emphasized by what the liberal press calls the new mistake of Cardinal Del Val, who had before prevented the Society of Coligny being received by the pope, because that society visited the Quirinal and sang before the Italian sovereigns, despite the fact that every year hundreds of persons are received by Victor Emmanuel, and afterwards admitted to the presence of his holiness.

A Triumph in Rome. Before leaving Rome ex-President Roosevelt had reason to believe that a great triumph was his, because both the attitude of the vatican towards him and the statement of the Methodists, which he had condemned, were repudiated by the leading adherents of those two institutions.

Abbot Lawrence Janssens, one of the most learned Benedictines and secretary of the Congregation of the Affairs of Religions, called on Mr. Roosevelt and, not finding him, left his card, on which he wrote in French that he desired to congratulate him for the constant support given to his order and the Catholic church in general in America during Mr. Roosevelt's "glorious career" as president, which he hoped would soon be resumed.

Contemporaneously, Mr. Roosevelt received letters from high prelates and cardinals, condemning what they styled "the personal attitude of Cardinal Merry Del Val, for which neither the pope nor the Catholic church was responsible."

Mr. Roosevelt received the following letter from Dr. Walling Clark, head of the Methodist organization in Italy: "The incident connected with the article written by the Rev. B. M. Tippet for the American press has caused me untold regret. Let me assure you that the Methodists of Rome were not responsible for the article. Allow me once more to express my admiration for the courageous position you have taken in the face of the demands of the vatican. The Methodists of Rome will not forget it."

A dinner was given in Mr. Roosevelt's honor in the great hall of the historic Capitoline palace by the municipal authorities, over which Mayor Nathan presided.

Mayor Nathan, in proposing the health of the ex-president referred to him as "one whose character and work had an effect upon the civil progress of humanity." After mentioning Washington and Lincoln, as respectively the founder and consolidator of the republic, he characterized Mr. Roosevelt as a "purifier," saying that he had hunted fiercer beasts than during his recent trip in Africa. "Men of his calibre," said the mayor, "are beyond the limits of country. They belong by right to civilization."

He concluded with an apostrophe to Mr. Roosevelt "as the fighting philosopher," who is preaching the word of purity, goodness and duty to his people, and he compared the ex-president to Marcus Aurelius.

Blaming It on the Cardinal. Paris, April 7.—The Matin today asserts that the treatment accorded Theodore Roosevelt by the vatican meets with disapproval in the highest ecclesiastical circles, including members of the sacred college, who hold Cardinal Merry Del Val and not the pope responsible. These prelates point out that Mr. Roosevelt has always shown profound respect for the Catholic church, and now that church has offended him.

Was Sharply Emphatic. Berlin, April 7.—Germania, a Catholic daily, discussing the Roosevelt vatican incident, concludes that Mr. Roosevelt was over-punctilious and too sharply emphatic about his freedom and independence.

Resolutions of Confidence in Rome. Resolutions of confidence in Rome Methodists.

Saratoga, N. Y., April 7.—Resolutions of confidence in the course pursued by the senate a bill meeting this recommendation.

MR. THOMPSON SMITES THE BILL

President of New Orleans Exchange Denounces Bill Designed to Stop Dealings in Futures.

HARMFUL INTERFERENCE WITH BUSINESS, HE SAYS

Patten, Who Thought He Was Out of the Market, Is Once More in the Game.

New York, April 7.—Although James A. Patten, the Chicago speculator, is quoted as saying he was here for a "fight to a finish" in the cotton market, the expected activity on the exchange was not in evidence in early trading today. It was a day of calm.

New Orleans, April 7.—"Instead of striking at the well known and clearly defined evils of speculative trading, the committee has approved a measure, illogical in conception, unjust and discriminatory in design, of more than doubtful constitutionality, and exemplifying, not a beneficial, but a pernicious phase of legislative interference with business."

Such is the declaration of President W. B. Thompson of the New Orleans cotton exchange, in a statement with reference to the favorable report of the house committee on agriculture aimed against speculation in cotton futures.

Mr. Thompson asserts that the singling out of cotton trading is wrongfully discriminatory, and declares that the enactment of such a measure "would surrender to the European manufacturer and his friends the uncontested possession of the powerful force of modern trade machinery, to be used for the purpose of forcing prices downward."

Patten in Market. New York, April 7.—James R. Patten, who did not know whether he was out of the speculative markets or not when he arrived here a few weeks ago from Liverpool, reappeared on the floor of the cotton exchange yesterday and thereafter the deluge of liquidation, estimated in some quarters to have cost him \$1,500,000 yesterday, ceased. Instead, the feeble recovery started late yesterday afternoon and gained strength and the May option advanced to 14.57, or about \$2.90 a bale above Tuesday's low level.

Mr. Patten hurried to the assistance of the market from Chicago overnight and before the exchange opened was quoted as being as bullish as ever. The bull movement in May cotton reached its apex last January at 16.46 and then broke almost perpendicularly to 13.50. Renewed accumulation, estimated at one time at 500,000 bales, brought fresh advances, culminating for the moment in a campaign on March 30 in a mark of 15.16. Since then continued slack demand from spinners and reports of rains in the south have affected slow recessions, which yesterday became panicky.

Information here and the behavior of the market indicated renewed determination on the part of bull leaders in Liverpool for delivery in New York were reported at from 5000 to 8000 bales. Cables were relatively small. These two factors aided by reports of a brisker demand from spinners overcame the weather reports from the south. The market opened strong, fell off, recovered when it was seen no important holdings were coming out and closed at the top.

YOUTH OF 18 IS ON TRIAL FOR MURDER OF A GIRL

More Than 60 Knife Wounds on Victim's Body—The Boy Said to Have Confessed.

Deland, Fla., April 7.—Irvin Hanchett, 18 years old, charged with the murder of a 14 year old girl, Clove Tedder, was placed on trial today. The girl's body was placed near the roadside. On the body were more than 60 wounds made by a pocket knife. Hanchett is said to have confessed.

Dozen Persons Injured by Horse. Cincinnati, April 7.—A runaway horse jumped through the rear entrance of a street car at fourth and Main streets, injuring a dozen passengers today. The horse was so tightly wedged into the car that the wreckage had to be cut away.

The Report Denied. South Bethlehem, Pa., April 7.—Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel company, today emphatically denied reports that he had purchased the Newport News Ship Building company. He declared he had not entered negotiations to acquire the ship building plant.

Roller and the Turk to Wrest. Kansas City, April 7.—Dr. E. F. Roller of Seattle and the Turkish champion, M. K. M. will wrestle and wrestle much tonight. Dr. Roller is the favorite.

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